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ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Medical Officer of Health
For the year 1948

B. N. EEDY
M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

INCLUDING THE

Report of the Sanitary Inspector

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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF WARSOP

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Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report for the year 1948.

The statistics indicate a satisfactory position with regard to health. A notable fact is that there have again been no cases of diphtheria in the district and this may reasonably be attributed to the immunisation campaign.

This year saw the coming into force of the National Health Service Act, 1946. The Act involved the transfer of the Welfare Services to County Council administration on 5th July, 1948, and the information shown in the report in connection with these services relates to the first six months of the year.

Your Council would wish me to take this opportunity of expressing thanks to Nurse E. M. Hutchinson, M.M., for her long years of service to the Community in this sphere. I should also like to thank the Sanitary Inspector, Mr. Pickering and the clerk to the department, Miss Clark, for their assistance in the preparation of the report.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

B. N. EEDY,

Medical Officer of Health.

THE HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Chairman :

Councillor J. Greenhalgh.

Councillor Mrs. Crapper
,, A. DesForges
,, L. Jones
Councillor R. Jackson
,, A. Kilner
,, J. H. Riley

MATERNITY & CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE

Chairman :

Councillor H. Castell.

Councillor Mrs. Crapper
,, R. Baker
,, R. Jackson
Councillor L. Jones
,, W. Robinson

Co-opted Members :

Mrs. Marriott
Mrs. F. Baker

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.

Medical Officer of Health :

B. N. Eedy, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H. (from 17th May, 1948).

Standing Deputy Medical Officer of Health :

Norman Wilson, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (London).

Obstetric Consultant and Consultant under Puerperal Fever and Pyrexia Regulations :

Miss Crystal Bates, M.B., Ch.M., M.R.C.O.G.

Health Visitor :

Miss E. Hutchinson, M.M., C.M.B.

Sanitary Inspector :

W. H. Pickering, C.R.S.I., M.S.I.A., M.Inst.P.C.

Clerk :

Miss B. Clark.

Section A.—STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

	1948	1947
Area (in acres)	7,174	7,174
Population (estimated mid-year)	10,800	10,450
Number of inhabited houses	2,737	2,719
Rateable Value (31st March)	£46,067	£45,122
Gross Sum represented by 1d. Rate	£175	£170

VITAL STATISTICS.

	1948			1947		
	Total	M.	F.	Total	M.	F.
Live Births—						
Legitimate	209	102	107	215	113	102
Illegitmate	4	—	4	7	4	3
Still Births	3	2	1	11	5	6
Deaths	85	44	41	108	67	41

Birth Rate (per thousand of population)		
a. Legitimate	19.34	20.57
b. Illegitimate	.37	.67
Still-births rate (per 1,000 total births)	14.08	49.54
Death rate (per thousand population)	7.87	10.33

	1948	1947
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age—		
All Infants per 1,000 Live Births	46.95	54.05
Legitimate per 1,000 Legitimate Births	47.85	51.62
Illegitimate per 1,000 Illegitimate Births	0.00	142.85
Special Death Rates per 1,000 Population—		
Cancer (all ages)	1.30	1.82
Measles (all ages)	0.00	0.00
Whooping Cough (all ages)	0.00	0.00
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	0.19	0.00
Influenza (all ages)	0.00	0.00
Bronchitis and Pneumonia (all ages)	1.11	1.43
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	0.10	0.29
Tuberculosis (other forms)	0.00	0.09

	Number of Deaths 1948	1947
Chief Causes of Death—		
Heart Disease	20	22
Other vascular disease	16	8
Cancer	14	19
Bronchitis	7	7
Pneumonia (all forms)	5	8
Tuberculosis—Pulmonary	1	3
Non-Pulmonary	0	1
Deaths of Infants under one year of age—		
(a) Under 14 days	1	3
(b) Over 14 days	9	10
(a) Under 14 days. Causes of Death :		
Prematurity	—	3
Congenital Atelectasis of Left Lung	1	—
Cerebral Haemorrhage	—	—
(b) Over 14 days. Causes of Death :		
Broncho-Pneumonia	2	5
Lobar Pneumonia	1	1
Congenital Polycystic Kidney	1	—
Congenital Cirrhosis of Liver	—	1
Congenital Pyloric Stenosis	1	1
Congenital obliteration of bile ducts and gall bladder	1	—
Acute Gastro Enteritis	2	—
Meningitis	1	1
Prematurity	—	1
Maternal Deaths	—	1
Deaths of infants under 1 month	1	5
Deaths of infants over 1 month	9	8

Year	Infantile Mortality		Birth Rate		Death Rate	
	Warsop	England &Wales	Warsop	England &Wales	Warsop	England &Wales
1939	70.7	50	18.4	15.0	8.2	12.1
1940	58.1	55	17.1	14.6	9.7	14.3
1941	77.3	59	20.4	14.2	9.9*	12.9*
1942	37.0	49	18.9	16.3	6.9*	11.6*
1943	45.0	49	22.4	16.5	10.1*	12.1
1944	58.0	46	24.0	17.6	8.7	11.6
1945	72.4	46	21.9	16.1	7.82	11.4
1946	30.43	43	22.1	19.1	8.18	11.5
1947	54.05	41	21.2	20.5	10.33	12.1
1948	46.94	34	19.72	17.9	7.87	10.8

Comparative Table *Crude.

	Warsop	England &Wales	Smaller Towns	Warsop	England &Wales	Smaller Towns
Births—	1948	1948	1948	1947	1947	1947
Live	19.72	17.9	19.2	21.2	20.5	22.2
Still	0.28	0.42	0.43	1.05	0.50	0.54
Deaths—						
All causes	7.87	10.8	10.7	10.33	12.0	11.9
Whooping Cough	—	0.02	0.02	—	0.02	0.02
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	0.01	0.01
Notifications—						
Scarlet Fever	0.27	1.73	1.82	0.38	1.37	1.37
Diphtheria	—	0.08	0.09	—	0.13	0.14
Erysipelas	—	0.21	0.21	0.19	0.19	0.18
Pneumonia	0.18	0.73	0.60	0.19	0.79	0.68
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	—	0.03	0.02	—	0.05	0.05
Measles	15.0	9.34	8.84	10.33	9.41	9.58
Whooping Cough	2.22	3.42	3.31	0.66	2.22	2.02

Scabies and Pediculosis.

There has been a decrease in the incidence of Scabies and Pediculosis during 1948.

There is now less prejudice shown by the population in the use of the Cleansing Centre.

Statistics for 1948 are as under :—

Total of complete treatments of individual cases	2
Total treatments of individual contacts	—
Complete cures in—	
(a) 1 treatment	2
(b) 2 treatments	—
Total of Return Cases (i.e. cases from same house within one month)	—
Total of re-infection (i.e. same persons more than one month after cure)	—
Total cases of Pediculosis treated	8

ANTE-NATAL, POST-NATAL, MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE, DENTAL, AND IMMUNISATION CLINICS.

The following is the time-table of the Clinics :—

Clinics held at	Child Welfare.	Ante-Natal	Post-Natal	Immunisation
Town Hall, Warsop.	*Monday 2-4 p.m. Thursday 2-4 p.m.	Every Thursday 10-0 a.m.	Every Thursday 10-0 a.m.	Thursday 2-4 p.m.
Church Institute, Warsop Vale.	1st Wednesday in month, 2-4 p.m.			First Wednesday in month 2-4 p.m.
Village Hall, Welbeck Colliery Village.	3rd Wednesday in month, 2-4 p.m.			3rd Wednesday in month, 2-4 p.m.

The Clinics are attended by the Medical Officer of Health with the exception of those marked with an asterisk.

ATTENDANCES AT WELFARE CENTRES.

Centre.	No. of times open in year.		Total No. of attendances of children under 1 year.		Total No. of attendances of children 1-5.		Average attendance of infants		Average attendance of children	
	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947	1948	1947
Warsop	49	98	1604	2497	1016	2338	32	26	21	24
Warsop Vale	6	12	112	139	43	155	19	12	6	13
Welbeck Colliery Village	5	12	134	215	82	302	27	18	14	25

Figures for 1948 relate to the period January—June inclusive.

Section B.—GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

The National Health Service Act, 1946, came into force on 5th July, 1948. Part III of the Act involved the transfer of Welfare Services with personnel engaged in those Services to County Council administration. Information given in respect of these services relates to the first six months of the year.

Vaccination and Immunisation.

The National Health Service Act, 1946, imposed the duty on the local health authority—in this area the County Council—of making arrangements for vaccination against smallpox and immunisation against diphtheria. Your Council have agreed with the proposal of the Notts. County Council to utilise the services of your Medical Officer of Health in carrying out these arrangements.

Figures shown in connection with diphtheria immunisation relate to the 12 months period.

Laboratory Service.

The public Health Laboratory Service established a laboratory at Amberley Street, Nottingham, under the direction of Dr. G. B. Ludlam, during the year. The services of this laboratory have been freely utilised and have been of the greatest value.

Hospitals.

Infectious Diseases Hospitals have been taken over by the Regional Hospital Board as from 5th July, 1948. Practitioners have been instructed by the Board that uncomplicated cases of scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough, etc. are to be referred to the Medical Officer of Health for decision regarding the necessity for admission to hospital.

Statutory provisions with regard to notification of infectious disease remain unchanged.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

Attendances at all Clinics were well maintained during the half-year ; absence of accommodation for dentistry was the only serious shortcoming in otherwise adequate services.

Attendances at Clinics and Welfare Centres.

Clinic or Centre	1948	1947
Town Hall, Warsop—		
Ante-Natal	607	1143
Post-Natal	3	2
Infant Welfare	2620	4885
Dental	—	—
Immunisation	71	286
Warsop Vale—		
Infant Welfare	155	294
Immunisation	5	12
Welbeck Colliery Village—		
Infant Welfare	216	517
Immunisation	8	44

Maternity Services.

The Maternity Services are the same as in previous years, details of which are shown in the above tables. Dried milk and numerous other products are sold to mothers attending the Centres at cost price. Sales amounted to £563 16s. 5½d. during the half-year under review.

National Vitamins Scheme.

In co-operation with the Ministry of Food vitamin products are supplied at the Clinics.

Complicated Maternity Cases.

The following table shows the number and distribution of Maternity cases in Hospital during the half-year with comparative figures for the year 1947 :—

Complicated—	1948	1947
Nottingham Hospital for Women	2	4
Mansfield & District General Hospital	4	4
Worksop County Hospital	—	6
Mansfield County Institution	—	21
Basford County Institution	1	7
Unsuitable Home Conditions—		
Worksop County Hospital	7	4
Mansfield County Institution	18	12

Puerperal Pyrexia.

There were no cases of Puerperal Pyrexia notified during 1948.

Maternal Mortality.

There were no maternal deaths during 1948.

Orthopaedic Treatment.

During the half-year 36 cases made 128 attendances at the Orthopaedic Clinic, Mansfield Hospital, at a cost to the Council of £23 17s. 6d. This includes 10/6 surgeon's fee for each new case.

Health Visitor's Visits. (To 30th June, 1948) :

Miss E. Hutchinson reports :—

1.	Visits to expectant mothers—	
	(a) First visits	74
	(b) Subsequent visits	99
2.	Visits to infants under 1 year—	
	(a) First visits	78
	(b) Subsequent visits	780
3.	Visits to children 1 to 5 years—	
	Total visits	799

Voluntary Helpers.

The voluntary services of the ladies who attended the Child Welfare Clinics are much appreciated, and sincere thanks are due to them. Their help contributes materially to the success of the clinics.

Infant Life Protection.

No cases on the register.

Diphtheria Immunisation.

The following figures are given for the year ended December 31st, 1948.

(a) Number of Children who had completed a full course of immunisation at any time up to 31st December, 1948.

Age at 31.12.48 i.e. Born in Year	Under 1 1948	1 1947	2 1946	3 1945	4 1944	5—9 1943–38	10—14 1934–38	Total under15
No. Immunised	14	136	150	140	161	521	538	1660
(b) Estimated mid-year population 1948			1077			1617		2694

(c) Number of cases of diphtheria notified during the year :

NIL.

Immunisations actually performed during the year :

Age at 31.12.48 i.e. Born in Year	Under 1 1948	1 1947	1 1946	3 1945	4 1944	5—9 1943–39	10—14 1934–38	Total under15
Primary	14	117	23	4	7	34	1	200
Reinforcing	—	—	—	—	—	3	4	7

VACCINATION.

The arrangement referred to in connection with immunisation also holds good in connection with vaccination.

Figures for the year ended 31st December, 1948, are as follows :

No. of persons primarily vaccinated	Under 1 yr.	1–4 years	5–14 years	15 yrs. & over	TOTAL
(i) Under Public Health Dept. arrangements	16	2	7	—	25
(ii) By Private Practitioners	1	—	1	—	2

Section C.—THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

WATER SUPPLIES.

There are no changes to report since 1947 ; the water supply of the area has been satisfactory both in quality and quantity.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

	1948	1947
Pail Type Closets :		
Converted to Water Closets....	36	5
Pails renewed	11	8
Number remaining	125	161
Number accessible to sewer	85	121

Privy Middens :		
Converted to Water Closets....	Nil	Nil
Number remaining	18	18
Water Closets :		
Repaired	2	7
New Water Closets provided	30	48
Number of Water Closets in district....	2913	2847

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA.

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

1st January to 31st December, 1948.

To the Chairman and Members of the Warsop Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

I have the honour of presenting my 21st Annual Report which of necessity must again be brief.

18 new houses were occupied during 1948 under the Council Scheme, this is a mere drop in the ocean and the housing position is still very serious.

Regarding repairs to existing houses, the position is still very difficult, and reconditioning is out of the question. This means that properties which 10 years ago were reasonably fit for human habitiation are gradually lapsing into varying stages of dilapidation.

It is very pleasing to be able to report that the pail closets in the district are gradually being replaced by the Water Carriage System, this work should be completed by early 1950.

The reports of various inspections which are set out in tabulated form represent much more work than is apparent.

In conclusion I again place on record my appreciation of the co-operation and assistance given by the Medical Officer, Clerk, and other Officials of the Council during the past year.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

W. H. PICKERING.

PUBLIC CLEANSING AND SALVAGE.

In presenting my 18th report on Public Cleansing I am incorporating details of materials salvaged and sold during the year.

The amount of salvage, particularly paper, shows an increase on last year, the income from materials sold being £128 more than in 1947 which is very creditable for the size of the district. The profit this year is £263 19s. 5d.

The high standard of refuse collection and disposal continues to be maintained but costs continue to increase due to increased cost of labour and materials.

The staff and wages paid per week are as follows :—

1 Foreman at £6 4s. 6d.
2 Drivers at £5 19s. 6d.
3 Fillers at £5 13s. 0d.
1 Tip Attendant at £5 13s. 0d.
1 Salvage attendant at £4 2s. 6d.

The Foreman works with the men and drivers assist with carrying out and filling.

Refuse Disposal.

The bulk of the refuse is disposed of by controlled tipping at Gravel Lane Tip.

Under an arrangement with the Warsop Vale Welfare Committee controlled tipping is carried out on Monday and Tuesday of each week on land belonging to the Committee which is part of their recreation ground at Church Warsop. Refuse collected from Church Warsop and Warsop Vale is utilised for this purpose Tipping on this site commenced on 12th November, 1946.

Number of loads collected : 2,184.
Total Quantity of Refuse for the year ending 31st March, 1949, was 4,914 tons.
The average yield per 1,000 population per day (365 days) was 1.24 tons.
Estimated Population (Registrar-General) 10,800.
Area of District : 7,174 acres.
Number of houses and premises : 2,737.
Average haul : 2 miles.
Rateable value : £46,067.
Product of 1d. Rate : £170.
Total Rate : 19/-.
The weight of refuse is estimated by surprise test weighings.

SALVAGED MATERIALS 1ST APRIL, 1948 TO 31ST MARCH, 1949.

Item.	Weight Collected. Tons	cwts.	qrs.	Price Received. £	s.	d.
Paper (all grades)	66	13	3	440	18	10
Rags, String, etc.	1	18	1	23	2	0
Bones, ...		4	0	1	10	1
Jars, Bottles, etc.	1	2	1	35	8	6
	69	18	1	£500	19	5

EXPENDITURE ON SALVAGE.

	£	s.	d.
Wages of Salvage Attendant at Tip	208	10	4
Sundries	28	10	8
	£237	1	0

THE TOTAL COST OF COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF HOUSE AND TRADE REFUSE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1948.

Particulars.	Collection £	s.	d.	Disposal £	s.	d.	Total £	s.	d.
Wages	1930	4	6	278	12	0	2208	16	6
Motor Maintenance (incl. Petrol & Oil)	241	15	9				241	15	9
Licences	85	0	0				85	0	0
Materials	115	7	4				115	7	4
Miscellaneous	8	12	0				8	12	0
Rents, Rates and Insurance	28	0	1				28	0	1
Employers' Liability	3	2	0				3	2	0
Depreciation Charges	68	0	0	5	0	0	73	0	0
Gross Expenditure	2480	1	8	283	12	0	2763	13	8
Income				1	13	6	1	13	6
Total Net Cost (including depreciation)	2480	1	8	281	18	6	2762	0	2
Total Net Cost (excluding depreciation)	2412	1	8	276	18	6	2689	0	2

HOUSE AND TRADE REFUSE.

TABLE SHOWING COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1947.

Item. (1)	Particulars, (2)	I. Collection. Including Depreciation Charges (3)			I. Collection. Excluding Depreciation Charges (4)			II. Disposal. Including Depreciation Charges (5)			II. Disposal. Excluding Depreciation Charges (6)			Total. Including Depreciation Charges (7)			Total. Excluding Depreciation Charges (8)		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	REVENUE ACCOUNT.																		
A,	Gross Expenditure ...	2480	1	8	2412	1	8	283	12	0	278	12	0	2763	13	8	2690	3	8
B.	Gross Income		—			—		1	13	6	1	13	6	1	13	6	1	13	6
C.	Net Costs	2480	1	8	2412	1	8	281	18	6	276	18	6	2762	0	2	2689	0	2
	UNIT COSTS.																		
D.	Gross expenditure per ton		10	1		9	9¾		1	1¾		1	1½		11	3		10	11¼
E.	Gross income per ton ...		—			—			—			—			—			—	
F.	Net cost per ton... ...		10	1		9	9¾		1	1¾		1	1½		11	3		10	11¼
G.	Net cost per 1000 houses or premises from which refuse is collected ...	907	2	7¾	882	5	2½	103	2	2	101	5	7¼	1010	4	10	983	10	10
H.	Net cost per 1000 population	229	12	9¼	233	6	10¼	26	2	0½	25	12	9¼	255	14	10	248	13	0
	RATE POUNDAGE.																		
J.	Net cost; equivalent rate in £	14.157d.			13.768d.			1.609d.			1.581d.			15.766d.			15.349d.		
K.	Percentage of J. to total rates	6.200%			6.038%			0.705%			0.693%			6.914%			6.732%		

Sanitary Inspections of the Area.

Number of inspections made	3199
Number of re-inspections made	355
Number of complaints received	39
Appointments and interviews	150
Number of premises which required sanitary improvement	146

Number and Nature of Inspections Made.

Inspections of Houses under Public Health Acts	321
Houses under Housing Acts	29
re Infectious diseases	5
Piggeries, Stables, etc.	268
Schools and other Public buildings	21
Refuse Tips and Night Soil Dumps	401
Drainage works in progress	20
Middens, Ashpits, etc.	891
Areas, Passages, etc.	780
Slaughterhouses	—
Pigs slaughtered on private premises	361
Cowsheds and Dairies	197
Food Stores	269
Butchers' Shops	212
Bakehouses	24
Caravans	63
Fried Fish Shops	67
Ice Cream Premises	10
Market, Stalls, etc.	49
Factories, etc.	42
Under Rats & Mice (Destruction) Acts	52

Notices.

Statutory Notices served	19
Statutory Notices complied with	†19
Informal Notices served	146
Informal Notices complied with	150
Second letters served	42
Second letters complied with	31

Description of Works Carried Out.

Eaves Guttering renewed	6
Roofs repaired	11
Main Drains cleared	11
Ovens repaired	2
Kitchen flues repaired	—
Boilers repaired	5
W.C. cisterns repaired	—
Floors repaired	6
Inspection chamber cover repaired	9
Fireplaces repaired	1
Closet Apartments repaired	2
Yards repaired	1
Windows repaired	4
Window Cords renewed	4
Coppers repaired	3
Chimney Pots renewed	7
Plaster of walls and ceilings renewed	6
Pail Closets renewed	11
Dust bins renewed	107

†Includes 2 in default of owners.

Smoke Abatement.

No nuisance has arisen from smoke in the area. A nuisance did arise, however, from fire and fumes from the Warsop Main Colliery Spoilbank. Several inspections and visits were made and advice given by the M.O.H. Alkali Inspector, and myself was acted upon by the Colliery Manager. This nuisance is now abated.

Swimming Baths and Pools.

There are no public or privately owned baths or swimming pools in the area.

Premises and Occupations Controlled by Byelaws and Regulations.

There are no Byelaws in force for the control of tents, vans, sheds, etc. There are a few living vans and similar structures occupied as dwellings ; these are kept under observation to ensure that no nuisance arises.

Common Lodging Houses.

There are no common lodging houses or houses let in lodgings in the District.

Offensive Trades.

There are no offensive trades in the District.

Schools.

There are six Schools in your area, one of them being a temporary wooden structure.

The water to all schools is from the town supply and is satisfactory.

In cases of notifiable infectious disease the Headmaster or Headmistress is informed of any cases, contacts, and the period of exclusion. During any epidemic period contact is also kept with the School Attendance Officer.

Section D.—HOUSING.

1.—Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

(1) (a)	Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts)	350
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	705
(2) (a)	Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above, which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 and 1932	Nil
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose	Nil
(3)	Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	Nil
(4)	Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	Nil

2.— Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal Notices.

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers	181

3.—Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

A.—Proceedings under Sectons 9, 10 & 16 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs .... Nil

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notice :—

(a) By Owners .... Nil

(b) By Local Authority in default of owners Nil
* brought forward from 1946

B.—Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

(a) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.... 19

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :-

(a) By owners *17

(b) By Local Authority in default of owners 2
* includes 2 notices outstanding 31.12.46

C.—Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made .... Nil

(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.... .... Nil

D.—Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936.

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made .... Nil

(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit .... Nil

4.—Housing Act, 1936. Part IV.—Overcrowding.

(a) (1) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year .... not known

(2) Number of families dwelling therein .... do.

(3) Number of persons dwelling therein .... do.

(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year .... not known

(c) (1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year .... do.

(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases do.

(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding .... Nil

Houses built in 1948—

Under local authority 18

Under private enterprise .... —

Section E.—INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Milk.

Result of examination of samples.

Non-Designated Milk. 16 samples taken. With the exception of one all were of good quality. (The standard taken was the Accredited Standard).

Pasteurised Milk. 36 samples taken 5 of which were unsatisfactory.

There are 28 Cowsheds and 32 Dairies in the District. These are inspected from time to time to ensure, as far as possible, compliance with the Milk and Dairies Order, 1926. These inspections necessitate many early visits between the hours of 6-30 a.m. and 8-30 a.m. while milking is in progress. The bacterial standard of the milk produced in your area is satisfactory as shown by the reports of the Analyst.

Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924.

The butchers generally have continued to conform to the requirements of the above and no action under the Regulations has been necessary.

Slaughtering on Unlicensed Premises.

361 Notices of "occasional slaughtering" were received in respect of pigs slaughtered by cottagers on unlicensed premises, the carcases of which were for home consumption only.

The number of pigs slaughtered on unlicensed premises shows an increase of 42 on last year's figures.

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933.

This Act provides for the licensing of all slaughtermen and also for the stunning of animals with a mechanically operated instrument in proper repair. All butchers in your district who do private slaughtering of cottagers' pigs use the Cash Captive Bolt. The pistols are examined from time to time to see that they are in proper working order.

Fishmongers and Fish Fryers.

67 visits were made to premises of the above. I found nothing to warrant any action being taken.

Market, Stalls, etc.

The several shops, markets, stalls, vans, etc., from which meat is sold were kept under strict supervision and minor infringements were remedied by informal action.

Bakehouses.

There are 2 Bakehouses on the Register. These are kept under observation, 24 visits having been made. Minor infringements have been remedied by informal action.

Factories Act, 1937.

42 inspections of factories have been carried out. No statutory action was necessary, minor contraventions being remedied by informal action.

Rag Flock Act (1911) Amendment Act, 1928.

There is no business in the District which calls for the administration of the above Acts.

Shell Fish.

No information is available of the layings from which Shell Fish sold in the district are derived. I have not had occasion to take any action against vendors of shell fish during the year.

Adulteration of Foods.

The Food & Drugs (Adulteration) Act is administered by the County Council. I am indebted to the County Food & Drugs Inspector for the following report.

Report of the Public Analyst for the year ended 31st December, 1948.

Article	No. of Samples	Result of Analysis
Black Pudding	1	1 Genuine
Chitterlings, jellied	1	1 Genuine
Cocoa	1	1 Genuine
Coffee	1	1 Genuine
Cough Mixture	1	1 Genuine
Fish Paste	1	1 Genuine
Gelatine	1	1 Genuine
Gin	1	1 Genuine
Gravy Salt	1	1 Genuine
Ice Cream	1	1 Genuine
Licquorice	1	1 Genuine
Lobster Paste	1	1 Genuine
Meat Paste	1	1 Genuine
Milk	58	57 Genuine. 1 slightly deficient in Milk-Solids other than Milk-Fat
Mussels, tinned	1	1 Genuine
Nitre, Sweet Spirit of	1	1 Genuine
Pepper	1	1 Genuine
Pudding Powder	1	1 Genuine
Sweets	1	1 Genuine
Tea	1	1 Genuine
Vinegar, Non-brewed	1	1 7.0% deficient in Acetoic Acid
Whisky	1	1 Genuine

Samples of Milk taken by County Sampling Officers and submitted to prescribed Tests.

	No. of Samples	Complied	Failed to Comply
Tuberculin Tested	—	—	—
Accredited	17	15	2
Pasteurised, Heat Treated, etc.	—	—	—

Section F.—PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

This Council is a member of the South Nottinghamshire Joint Hospital Board.

The Council paid the following precepts to the Board during the half-year under review.

Half-year ended June, 1948	Year ended Dec. 1947
£ s. d.	£ s. d.
112 14 7	112 14 2

Scarlet Fever.

During the year 3 cases occurred compared with 4 in 1947. 2 of these cases were removed to hospital.

Diphtheria.

No cases of Diphtheria were notified.

Good progress has been made during the year with immunisation.

Measles.

162 cases were notified during the year compared with 109 during 1947.

Whooping Cough.

24 cases were notified during the year as compared with 7 in 1947.

Food Poisoning.

No cases were notified during the year.

Tuberculosis.

	1948		1947	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
Pulmonary Tuberculosis :				
No. of cases in the area	28	17	26	17
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis :				
No. of cases in the area	17	12	17	12
Pulmonary Tuberculosis :				
No. of deaths during year	—	1	3	1
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis :				
No. of deaths during year	—	—	—	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis :				
No. of New Cases during year	2	2	4	2
Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis				
No. of New Cases during year	—	—	—	—

Prevention of Blindness.

No action was taken under Section 66 of the Public Health Act, 1925.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

There was one case notified during the year.

Vision was not impaired in this case.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR 1948.

Disease.	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65	Total cases notified.	Cases admitted to hospital.	Total Deaths.
Small Pox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	—
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia (all forms)	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Measles	11	18	19	27	28	53	4	2	—	—	—	—	162	1	—
Whooping Cough	2	4	3	5	3	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	24	—	—
Cerebro-Spinal Fever....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

CANCER DEATHS.

(Taken from the Return of Deaths to the Sanitary Authority).

Age	Males	Females	Prostate	Ventriculi	Pancreas	Colon	Bronchus	Rectum	Stomach	Caecum	Cervix	Breast	Bladder
52	1			1									
55		1							1				
57		1									1		
63	1		1										
64	1		1										
65	1						1						
68		1								1			
71	1												1
72	1		1										
73	1					1							
74	2		1		1								
79	1							1					
80		1										1	
81		1							1				
	10	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1

CAUSES OF DEATH.

Causes of Death.	All Ages. Males. 1948	Males. 1947	Females. 1948	Females. 1947
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	—	3	1	—
Cancer, malignant disease	9	8	5	11
Intra-cranial vascular lesions	3	2	8	6
Heart Disease	7	14	13	8
Other diseases of circulatory system	3	3	2	3
Bronchitis	4	6	3	1
Pneumonia	4	5	1	3
Other respiratory diseases	1	2	—	—
Ulcer of stomach or duodenum	1	—	—	—
Nephritis	—	2	—	—
Puer. & post abort. sepsis	—	—	—	—
Other maternal causes	—	—	—	1
Premature birth	—	4	—	—
Congential Debility, Malformation, etc.	3	2	4	1
Suicide	—	—	1	—
Road traffic accidents	1	—	1	—
Other violent causes	4	4	2	—
All other causes	4	8	—	5
Deaths of Infants under 1 year :				
Total	7	9	3	3
Legitimate	7	8	3	3
Illegitimate	—	1	—	—
Live Births :				
Total	102	117	111	105
Legitimate	102	113	107	102
Illegitimate	—	4	4	3

	1948	1947
Population	10,800	10,450

VITAL STATISTICS.

Birth-rates, Civilian Death-rates, Analysis of Mortality, Maternal Mortality **and case-rates for certain Infectious Diseases in the year 1948.**

(Provisional Figures based on Quarterly Returns.)

	Warsop	England and Wales	126 County Boro's and Great Towns including London	148 Smaller Towns (Resident Populations 25,000 to 50,000 at 1931 Census)	London Administrative County
	Rates per 1,000 Civilian Population				
Births :—					
Live	19.72	17.9(a)	20.0	19.2	20.1
Still	0.28	0.42(a)	0.52	0.43	0.39
Deaths :—All Causes	7.87	10.8(a)	11.6	10.7	11.6
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	0.00	0:00	0:00	0.00	0.00
Whooping Cough	0.00	0.02	0:02	0.02	0.01
Diphtheria	0:00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Tuberculosis	0.09	0.51	0.59	0.46	0.63
Influenza	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.02
Smallpox	0.00	0.00	0.00	0:00	—
Acute Poliomyelitis and Polioencephalitis	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00
Pneumonia	0.46	0.41	0.38	0.36	0.54
Notifications :—					
Typhoid Fever	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.00
Paratyphoid Fever	0:00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0:01
Cerebro-Spinal Fever ...	0.00	0.03	0.03	0.02	0.03
Scarlet Fever...	0.27	1.73	1.90	1.82	1.37
Whooping Cough	2:22	3.42	3.51	3.31	3.13
Diphtheria	0.00	0.08	0.10	0.09	0.10
Erysipelas	0.00	0.21	0.23	0.21	0.22
Smallpox	0.00	0:00	0:00	0.00	0:00
Measles...	15.00	9.34	9.75	8.84	9.17
Pneumonia	0:18	0.73	0.84	0.60	0.57
Acute Poliomyelitis	0.00	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04
Acute Polioencephalitis ...	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
	Rates per 1,000 Live Births.				
Deaths under 1 year of age ...	46.94	34(b)	39	32	31
Deaths from Diarrhoea and Enteritis under 2 years of age	9.39	3.3	4.5	2.1	2.4
	Rates per 1,000 Total Births (Live and Still).				
(a) Notifications :—					
Puerperal Fever	—	6.89	8.90	4.71	6.94‖
Puerperal Pyrexia	—				
(b) Maternal Mortality :—					
Abortion with Sepsis ...	0.00	0.11			
Abortion without Sepsis ...	0.00	0.05			
Puerperal Infections	0.00	0.13			
Other	0.00	0.73			

Abortion : Mortality per million women aged 15-44—England and Wales—

With Sepsis	9
Without Sepsis	4

‖ **Including Puerperal Fever.**

(a) Rates per 1,000 total population.
(b) Per 1,000 related births.

Factories Act 1937.

PART I OF THE ACT.

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (inspections made by Sanitary Inspectors).

Premises.	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities....	5	22	2	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	8	38	2	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers premises)	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	13	60	4	—

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Particulars.	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted.
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable temperature(S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)....	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
Total	2	2	—	—	—